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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – February 27, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Saturday, February 27, 2021, DHHS announced 287 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.4%. Today's results include 205 people who tested positive by PCR test and 82 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,672 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

• 2/26: 287 new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are thirty-six individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 52% being female and 48% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (67), Strafford (43), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (37), Grafton (36), Merrimack (15), Cheshire (14), Belknap (9), Sullivan (7), Carroll (5), and Coos (4) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (24) and Nashua (16). The county of residence is being determined for ten new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

DHHS has also announced three additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 female resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Merrimack County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 93 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 75,166 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated February 27, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	75,166
Recovered	71,324 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,170 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,672

Current Hospitalizations	93
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	629,326
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	37,668
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	267

¹Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests										
Testing Laboratory	2/20	2/21	2/22	2/23	2/24	2/25	2/26	Daily Average		
NH Public Health Laboratories	476	220	3	313	726	1,004	0	392		
LabCorp	390	565	309	753	574	489	492	510		
Quest Diagnostics	671	442	326	465	694	621	535	536		
Mako Medical	283	0	87	279	310	629	98	241		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	374	186	314	434	359	398	458	360		
NorDX Laboratory	257	167	52	612	452	462	276	325		
Broad Institute	4,157	699	1,240	4,548	3,689	2,315	4,876	3,075		
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	357	270	378	525	676	401	388	428		
Other Laboratory*	308	219	313	333	588	586	252	371		
University of New Hampshire**	2,408	70	3,831	4,348	3,478	4,050	3,706	3,127		
Total	9,681	2,838	6,853	12,610	11,546	10,955	11,081	9,366		
Antibody Laboratory Tests										
Testing Laboratory	2/20	2/21	2/22	2/23	2/24	2/25	2/26	Daily Average		
LabCorp	11	5	0	25	22	7	10	11		
Quest Diagnostics	20	0	7	12	20	22	20	14		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	3	0	10	4	5	7	1	4		
NorDX Laboratory	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1		
Other Laboratory*	2	0	6	1	5	13	10	5		
Total	37	5	23	43	53	49	42	36		

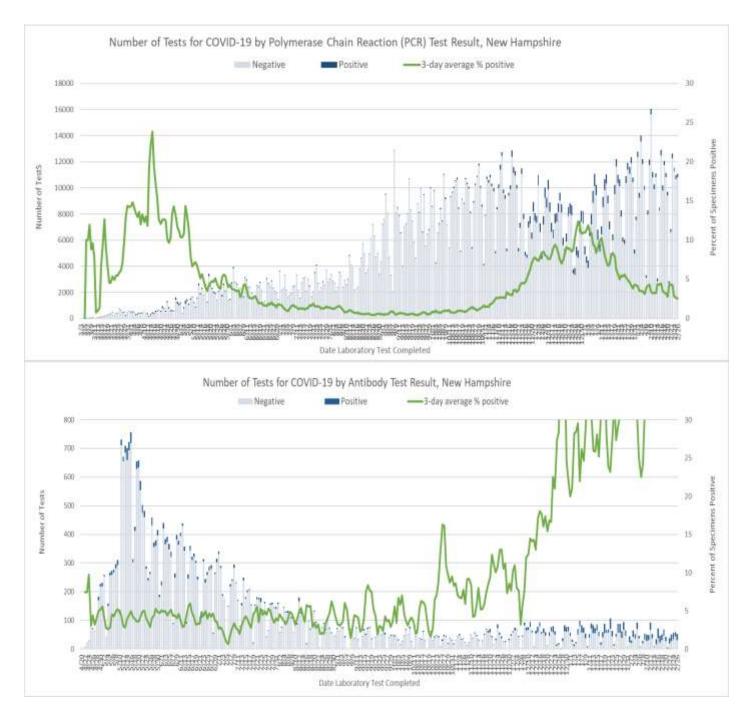
^{*} Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³ Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

^{**} Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at https://www.nh.gov/covid19.

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